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TO:

Idaho State Department of Agriculture

Nursery Advisory Committee

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

1999 Gross Value of Nursery Survey

Idaho Agricultural Statistics Service conducted the survey in March and April. Initially, we spent several hours building an up-to-date list of nursery operations in the State. Several nursery operations were not found on the State of Idaho license listing so we supplemented it with our existing records. This resulted in a list of 251 nursery and greenhouse operations in Idaho. In March we mailed all operations a questionnaire. Two weeks later we mailed those operations that had not responded a second request. In April we began a short telephone follow up of those operations that had not responded to the mail survey. From these efforts we were able to obtain 206 positive reports. The remaining operations were out of business, had no sales in 1999, and ten operations were inaccessible or refused to cooperate on the survey.

We provided the following survey results to the Idaho Nursery Association on May 1:

Sales by Category:	Gross Sales Dollars:
Bare Root	\$1,781,618
Balled and Burlapped	\$14,435,921
Container	\$7,824,624
Greenhouse	\$11,956,101
Sod	\$9,519,618
House Plants & Cut Flowers	\$1,035,265
Other Plant Materials	\$1,598,641
Total Gross Sales 1999	<u>\$48,151,838</u>
	IN COOPERATION

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State of Idaho Department of Agriculture

Specialty Crop Summary: Idaho, 1998-99

	1998				1999					
Сгор	Harvested	Yield Per Acre	Unit -	Production			Yield		Production	
				Utilized	Value	Harvested	Per Acre	Unit	Utilized	Value
	Acres			1,000	1,000 Dollars	Acres			1,000	1,000 Dollars
FRUITS										
Apples			Lb	115,000	9,793			Lb	70,000	11,960
Peaches			Lb	8,700	3,791			Lb	7,900	3,726
Prunes & Plums			Ton	4.3	2,377			Ton	1.8	508
Sweet Cherries			Ton	2.1	2,207			Ton	1.7	2,720
MINT OIL										
Peppermint	21,000	95	Lb	1,995	20,549	18,000	83	Lb	1,494	15,538
Spearmint	2,000	103	Lb	206	2,390	1,800	95	Lb	171	1,710
SPECIAL OILSEEDS										
Canola	9,800	1,600	Lb	15,680	1,678	16,500	1,600	Lb	26,400	2,191
SEED CROPS										
Alfalfa Seed	39,000	670	Lb	26,130	35,798	NA	NA		NA	NA
Garden Seed Beans	16,000	2,060	Lb	33,000	13,431	19,000	2,050	Lb	39,000	15,444
VEGETABLES										
Onions 1/	8,000	580	Cwt	4,640	52,390	7,900	700	Cwt	5,530	22,842
Sweet Corn (in husk)	16,100	9.00	Ton	144.9	11,041	15,300	9.19	Ton	140.6	11,558

<sup>1/</sup> Production includes onions harvested but not sold because of shrinkage and waste.

Nursery Sales - 1996 & 1999

Numerous and Consultance	1996	1999			
Nursery and Greenhouse	1,000 Dollars				
Bare Root	1,617	1,782			
Balled & Burlap	10,445	14,436			
Container	5,716	7,825			
Greenhouse	9,816	11,956			
Sod	5,227	9,519			
House Plants & Cut Flowers	1/	1,035			
Other Plant Materials 2/	4,776	1,599			
Total	37,607	48,152			

<sup>1/</sup> Included in Other Plant Materials.

<sup>2/</sup> Included bulbs, house plants, cut flowers in 1996, tublings, tubers, etc.



